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COORDINATION OF COLLECTION ACTIVITIES
References: C.I.G. 18, 18/1 and 18/2

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence

1. Pursuant to the instructions of the Intelligence Advisory Board at its 11th meeting on 26 November 1946 the ad hoc committee designated at that time has met and considered amendments to C.I.G. 18/2.

2. Accordingly the Draft N.I.A. Directive in Enclosure "A," concurred in by the ad hoc committee, is submitted herewith.

3. It is recommended that the Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Advisory Board, acting for the National Intelligence Authority pursuant to paragraph 3 of N.I.A. Directive No. 1, approve the Draft N.I.A. Directive in Enclosure "A."

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PROPOSED N.I.A. DIRECTIVE

COORDINATION OF COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

1. The following over-all policies and objectives are established by the National Intelligence Authority for the inter-departmental coordination of collection activities so that measures may be taken promptly to effect sound and efficient utilization of the various departmental overseas collecting and reporting services:

a. There shall be an allocation within certain broad categories of agency responsibility for collection in the field.

b. The senior U. S. representative in each foreign area where the United States maintains a foreign service mission shall be responsible for the coordination of all collection activities within his area, and for the proper implementation of the requirements and responsibilities of the respective agencies.

c. All collection facilities will be utilized to their maximum within budgetary limitations for the production of that full flow of intelligence material which is the major need of all departments.

d. There shall be free and unrestricted interdepartmental flow of intelligence information and intelligence to meet the recognized secondary need of each department for intelligence usually prepared or obtained by other departments. At present this Directive is interpreted to apply only to those departments represented by the permanent members of the Intelligence Advisory Board.

e. Common sense shall be applied in the implementation of these established over-all policies and objectives

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to insure the full utilization of individual initiative and favorable contacts by collecting agents.

f. No interpretation of these established over-all policies and objectives shall negate the basic principle that all departmental representatives abroad are individually responsible for the collection and for the appropriate transmission to Washington of all intelligence material of possible usefulness to their departments and to the effective accomplishment of the national intelligence mission.

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